

American Samoa

SOURCE: American Samoa Water Quality Standards (1999 Revision provided by ASEPA), Sections 24.0205 and 24.0206:

§24.0205 Water Classifications-Protected and Prohibited Uses

- (1) Class 1 Fresh Surface Waters
 - (A) Class 1 waters are to remain in as near their natural state as possible with a minimum of pollution from any human activity. Protected uses of these waters are: potable water supplies, support and propagation indigenous aquatic and terrestrial life and compatible recreation and aesthetic enjoyment.
 - (B) Prohibited uses and activities include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Point source discharges of pollutants
 - (ii) Dredging and filling activities
 - (iii) Bathing, including washing clothes and dishes
 - (iv) Animal pens over or within 100 feet of the water body
 - (v) Siting of septic tanks or cesspools within 200 feet of the water body
 - (vi) Land disturbing (e.g., grading, tillage) activities within 100 feet of the water body
 - (vii) Wood cutting or clearing within 100 feet of the water body
- (2) Class 2 Fresh Surface Waters
 - (A) Class 2 waters shall be protected for the support and propagation of indigenous aquatic life, recreation in and on the water, and aesthetic enjoyment.
 - (B) Prohibited uses and activities include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) No zones of mixing will be granted
 - (ii) Dredging or filling activities, except as approved by EQC
 - (iii) Animal pens over or immediately adjacent to the water body

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- (i) There shall be no changes in basin geometry or freshwater inflow that will alter current patterns in such a way as to adversely affect existing biological populations or sediment distribution. To protect estuarine organisms, no change in channels, basin geometry, or freshwater influx shall be made which would cause permanent changes in existing isohaline patterns of more than 10 percent.